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Identical letters dated 8 March 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and to the President of the Security Council

On instructions from my Government, I wish to transmit to you herewith the daily report on the activities carried out by the inspection teams of the United Nations Monitoring, Verification and Inspection Commission (UNMOVIC) and the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) in Iraq on 8 March 2003.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Activities of the IAEA and UNMOVIC inspection teams in Iraq

Report on activities carried out on Saturday, 8 March 2003

I. IAEA inspection team

Group I

A first group left the Canal Hotel at 8.30 a.m. and went to the Salah al-Din State Company, which is owned by the Military Industrialization Corporation (MIC). The group met Company officials and asked them about the nature of the Company's work, its current production, the number of employees and future plans. It then inspected all the administrative and production departments. On completing its mission, which lasted 3 hours, the group returned to the Hotel.

Group II

A second group left the Canal Hotel at 8.40 a.m. Using vehicle-mounted and hand-held equipment, it conducted a radiation survey of Taji camp 1 and the military units located there with a view to detecting any radioactivity. On completing its mission, which lasted 4 hours, the group returned to the Hotel.

Group III

A third group left the Canal Hotel at 9 a.m. and went to the Tabuk Company. The group met Company officials and asked them about the Company's work, the main plants connected with the Company and the production capacity of each plant. The group then proceeded to another site, the Mu'tasim plant owned by the Rashid State Company, and inspected that plant's destroyed buildings. Next the group went to the Al-Quds State Company, an MIC enterprise, looked into the activities of the plant's various centres and inspected the laboratories in each centre. On completing its mission, which lasted 6 hours, the group returned to the Hotel.

II. UNMOVIC inspection team (missiles)

Group I

A first group left the Canal Hotel at 8.30 a.m. and went to the Sumud plant, owned by the Karamah State Company, where it supervised the destruction of the equipment and parts related to Sumud-2 missiles. It then went to the Technical Battalion site at Taji and oversaw the demolition of Sumud-2 missile parts. On completing its mission, which lasted 6 hours, the group returned to the Hotel.

Group II

A second group left the Canal Hotel at 8.30 a.m. and went to the Technical Battalion at Taji, where it oversaw the destruction of six Sumud-2 missiles and three warheads. On completing its mission, which lasted 5 hours, the group returned to the Canal Hotel.

Group III

A third group left the Canal Hotel at 8.40 a.m. and went to the Qa'qa' State Company to check for the existence of untagged Sumud-2 missiles. On completing its mission, which lasted 30 minutes, the group returned to the Canal Hotel.

III. UNMOVIC inspection team (chemical)

The team left the Canal Hotel at 9 a.m. and proceeded to the Qa'qa' State Company. It met Company officials and enquired of them about the extent to which the units were in operation at present, about those that were shut down and about tagged equipment located in the Company. The team then inspected the sulphuric acid concentration unit. On completing its mission, which lasted 2 hours and 20 minutes, the team returned to the Canal Hotel.

IV. UNMOVIC inspection team (biological)

The team left the Canal Hotel at 9 a.m. and went to the Aziziyah bomb destruction site. It made a tour of the site and enquired about the bombs excavated that day, then took samples from the site. On completing its mission, which lasted 2 hours and 30 minutes, the team returned to the Hotel.

V. UNMOVIC joint inspection team in Baghdad

The team left the Canal Hotel at 8.30 a.m. and went to the yellow corn shelling and drying plant at Haydari. The plant belongs to the Mesopotamia State Seed Company/Ministry of Agriculture. The team met with the Company manager and asked him about the date of establishment of the Company, the number of employees and the date on which the site was placed under the Ministry of Agriculture. The team then inspected all the plant warehouses. On completing its mission, which lasted 1 hour, the team returned to the Hotel.

VI. UNMOVIC joint inspection team in Mosul

The team left the Nineveh Palace Hotel at 9 a.m. and went to the two old radio and television broadcasting stations. It photographed the rubble of the buildings destroyed in 1991. On completing its mission, which lasted 2 hours, the team returned to the Nineveh Palace Hotel.

VII. Interviews

UNMOVIC requested an individual interview in a Baghdad hotel with a competent Iraqi. The National Monitoring Directorate notified him and encouraged him to hold the interview at the appointed time and place. He was in fact interviewed by UNMOVIC.